(c) Financial assistance sanctioned to Government of Gujarat during the last five years is as follows:

Year	Distt.	Amount Sanctioned (Rs. in lakhs)	No. of Godowns	Capacity (in MT)	Whether construction of godown completed*
1997-98	Banaskantha	21.08	1	1000	Yes
	Kutch	15.31	1	500	Yes
	Valsad	45.93	3	1500	Yes, two godowns of 1000 MTs capacity
	Amreli	24.64	2	750	No
	Surendranagar	21.08	1	1000	No
	Sabarkhanta	15.31	1	1000	No
	Panchamahal	30.62	2	1000	Yes, 1 godown of 500 MTs capacity
	Surat	9.33	1	250	
1998-99 to 2001-02	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	
	TOTAL	183.30	12	7000	

*As per report from State Government.

(d) As per terms and conditions of the sanction, the ownership of the godowns constructed with the assistance from the Central Government is vested with the State Government.

Procurement of sugarcane in UP and Haryana

1956. SHRI NANA DESHMUKH: Will the Minister of CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state:

(a) whether procurement price of sugarcane in UP is Rs. 95 per qunital whereas it is Rs. 120 per quintal in Haryana.

(b) whether it is also a fact that per quintal yield of sugar is 11-12 Kg in UP against 8-9 Kg in Haryana; and

(c) if so, the steps being taken by Government to give high price to the sugarcane farmers in UP also?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD): (a) to (c) The Central Government does not fix the procurement price of sugarcane. Under the provisions of the Sugarcane (Control) Order, 1966, the Central Government fixes the Statutory Minimum Price (SMP) of sugarcane for each sugar season payable by the sugar factories to the sugarcane growers. This price serves as a floor price below which no sugar factory can purchase or agree to purchase sugarcane from sugarcane growers. For the sugar season 2001-2002, the Central Government has notified the Statutory Minimum Price (SMP) of sugarcane at Rs. 62.05 per quintal linked to a basic recovery of 8.5% sugar subject to a premium of 73 paise for every 0.1% point increase in the recovery above that level vide notification dated 28.11.2001. The range of Statutory Minimum Price notified for Haryana is Rs. 64.24 per quintal to Rs. 75.92 per quintal while that for Uttar Pradesh is from Rs. 62.05 per quintal to Rs. 81.76 per quintal. The variance in prices is an account of variance in recovery levels. Government of Haryana has reported that different sugar mills in Haryana are paying Rs. 110, Rs. 106, Rs. 104 per quintal as sugarcane price to sugarcane growers for early, mid maturing and late maturing varieties respectively. The Government of U.P. has reported that the sugar mills of U.P. are paying Rs. 92.50, Rs. 95.00 and Rs. 100.00 per quintal for unsuitable varieties, general varieties and early maturing varieties respectively.